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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT BASED ON FAILURE
TO RECEIVE OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.181(a)**

Applicant hereby request that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) withdraws holding abandonment of the above-identified application. Applicant filed a reply, on December 10, 2004, to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2004. Because no PTO correspondence was received for more than a year after the reply was filed, Applicant filed a status request letter on February 13, 2006. No correspondence was received from the PTO for over three months thereafter.

On June 9, 2006, supervisory Examiner Cuneo called Applicant and left a message stating that the application was abandoned about a year ago, and all PTO correspondences were returned to the Office. On June 12, 2006, Applicant called Examiner Cuneo and left a voice message requesting a return call. Given that there was no call from the Examiner, Applicant called Ms. Cuneo again and requested her return call on July 31, 2006.

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On August 8, 2006, Applicant received a call from Ms. Cuneo stating that a final Office Action was mailed in March, 2005 and the application was abandoned due to lack of a failure to reply within the statutory period. However, Examiner Cuneo acknowledged that all PTO correspondences were mailed to Applicant's old address. Applicant's address was changed several years ago, and the new address was already updated in the PTO. To the best of Applicant's knowledge, since then, Applicant has not had any problems in receiving PTO correspondences at its current address for other patent applications. Applicant herewith provides its current address as follows. Applicant respectfully requests that the Patent Office update its system to reflect the Applicant's correct address with respect to this application and Customer Number shown below.

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Pursuant to MPEP 711.03 (c) and given that the abandonment occurred through the mistake of the PTO, Applicant believes that no fees are necessary. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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